

NEW-YORKISMS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW YORK, June 17, 1869. Jim Fisk—You've heard of Jim?—was certainly never more in his glory than he was on Tuesday evening, when Jay Gould came trotting down to the Chambers street wharf with General Grant leaning on his arm. He was dressed as a commodore—Fisk, not General Grant—and his face was unctuous with the zest attending a well-earned popularity. Who shall blame his weakness for stocks and steamboats? He works hard enough to deserve the calcium splendor that surrounds him. He is a melodramatic man of business, a sensational plodder, the romanticist of routine, a practical idealist, and the only immortality his soul is fit for is a Mohammedan heaven, with a stock exchange next door.

Mr. Curtin sails to-day for Russia. At several times in his life he has looked as though he were a near relative of old Dr. Sassafras, and as though the sands were quite run out; but he has picked up again amazingly, and doubtless, in the effulgence of his ministerialship, has forgotten all about those nostalgic times when he canvassed Pennsylvania and addressed the people as "your next Governor." Mrs. Lander was likewise among the passengers, her tragic brows arched not unpleasantly in anticipation of London triumphs. Since Mrs. Lander aspires to be the English translation of Histrion—free translation—and since Miss Bateman will have left London desolated by the time she commences operations there, perhaps her success will rival that of her younger days.

Have you forgotten the Wickedest Man in New York? He has forsaken his Water-street den, and is keeping a temperance grocery store. His nose is less rufous than formerly—more of a water and less of a rum-and-water color. He is experiencing all the peevishness and ennui of a great man whose greatness has died before him, like a Spurgeon with dwindled congregations, or an actor performing to empty boxes. He is no longer the wickedest man. He is only the man that used to be the wickedest.

On the morning of next Saturday week one of the most aristocratic weddings of the season is to be celebrated at the Church of the Ascension, at the corner of Tenth street and Fifth avenue. The bride is Miss Julia Trier, daughter of Mrs. John Trier, and the bridegroom Mr. William H. Spencer.

The season at Newport commences on Tuesday, although one of the principal hotels, the Ocean House, will not be opened until to-morrow week. The Atlantic House already accommodates more than 500 guests, and all the summer cottages are fast filling up, mostly with New Yorkers. On Monday, when I was there, I likewise saw a large sprinkling of Philadelphians, whose numbers during previous seasons have disputed the palm with those of citizens from other places.

Everybody thought last evening we were in for another storm. To be sure, the sky was perfectly serene, but indistinct rumblings were heard in the northeast. Prudent people seized their umbrellas on the impulse of the moment, and half took their water-proofs from the nail. A second thought, however, dispelled the illusion, and a smile broke over the face of the population. After all, it was not the rumblings of a thunder-storm, it was merely the echoes of the Boston Jubilee.

As a rule, I am not very well posted in horse-racing, but there is said to be on Long Island a half-brother to Mr. Bonner's Dexter that is making great time, and is under private training.

It is not to be expected that the Philadelphia reader will remember all the railroad accidents which occur in the neighborhood of New York. Perhaps, however, he will remember the one that happened about a week ago on the Long Island Railroad. As in the case of the train that was bearing General Grant and suite hitherward, the accident was caused by a cow being run over. In the words of the local poet, "By the cow-catcher caught, she flew sky high." Immediately after the accident, some fat-eyed preachers gathered together and improvised a prayer-meeting, the burden of which was that they were so glad they were left, while so many less deserving wretches had been taken. Their thanksgiving was scarcely at an end when the distracted owner of the dead cow ran up, breathing general denunciations and threats of lawsuit. Whilst he was in the midst of his harangue, a German accosted him:—

"Whose cow is dis?"
"Mine," exclaimed the enraged drover.
"How mooh you sell him fort? I pees a pootcher. I geets you twenty-five collars for him. I sell him for beefsteak, and makes der manish."
The bargain was concluded on the spot. The split cow was sold. The prayer-meeting was disbanded, and a railroad accident supplied some of the hotels with choice porter-house.

The steamship Cuba, of the Cunard, arrived here yesterday afternoon, with dates to the 5th instant. They say that Prince Alfred is to come here. I hope so. It will give Fifth avenue something to talk about, while she is at the wedding places.

West Point for the last few days has been a beset by balls and beauties. Mrs. Corlies and Mrs. L. Jerome have taken cottages at Cozzen's Hotel. Mrs. Judre Roosevelt is visiting ex-Minister Gulgrow's family there, and a niece of ex-Mayor Guther is now the reigning belle in that quarter. She has set the new fashion of wearing jockey-hats at breakfast, dinner, and supper, and all the cadets swear by her.

It is expected that the new labor bureau, in the Plymouth building, at the corner of Spruce and Sixth streets, will be a great success. It aims to procure labor for all applicants irrespective of their occupations, and since it charges no commission, it neutralizes to a considerable extent the barbarities of the landlark system. Though yesterday was the first day of its operation, there were more than a hundred applications, mostly Irish and German, including a few heads of families who needed domestic.

The servant-girl panic, by the way, is just a little worse than usual. Notwithstanding the sea failure which the hotel Jeemes has made of it, Bidly seems resolved to have her strike too, and many is the kitchen in which there is wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Irma and Descluzas do not agree at the Fifth Avenue Opera House. Both of them are fair and fat, and neither of them is forty, and seeing that each is possessed of a good voice and manners fitted to please the most exacting taste, it is a pity that they had to quarrel. Descluzas is a novelty as "Polo," and Irma an antiquity as "La Perichote." But, anyhow, I do not presume they would have long preserved the amenities of the footlights under any conditions. It has been said that there are three things woman cannot do: they cannot tie up bundles, they cannot carry umbrellas, they cannot sharpen lead-pencils. But by my unaided vision I have discovered several other feats they cannot perform. They cannot enter a railway car while another woman is getting out. Men in such cases are sure to pass each other without mutual annoyance. Women never do. They bolt "bang up" against one another in pure spite, and sometimes have to be separated by the conductor. And they cannot live together either, even throughout the brief span of the footlight's existence. They are ready to scratch each other's tender eyes out because the one gets a hair's-breadth more applause than her neighbor. Such is life. Irma and Descluzas point the moral.

The 7th Regiment is getting ready to take its July excursion. It will go up North river by special boat to Albany and Troy, and thence to Saratoga. The Mayor of Troy has already formally invited Colonel Emmons Clark to accept the hospitalities of that city, and the Colonel will doubtless accept.

Mr. Henry Woodruff, of Jamaica, lately eloped with another man's wife, but about ten days ago was apparently seized with a fit of repentance, returned home, forsook his Ashtaroth, begged his wife's pardon, was forgiven, and taken back to the conjugal bed and bosom. It now appears, however, that all he was after was the conjugal "stamps," and that he has made off with these, and, like the washed sow, returned to his wickedness.

Wholesale complaints have been lodged against the legal "shysters" of the Tombs Police Court. They have been in the habit of receiving money for services that were never performed. There is hardly one of these lawyers but what is a decidedly-marked New Yorker. They deserve a letter to themselves, and I trust they shall have it, when opportunity sharpens the memory of all BABA.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

The City Amusements. At the Theatre, Mr. Simon Hassler will have a benefit this evening, when he will make his first appearance on the stage as "Smith" in the farce of My Neighbor's Wife. Mr. Hassler, from his seat in the middle of the orchestra, has been an attentive student of acting for many years past, and he has developed some original ideas of his own, which he now proposes to put into practice. It is expected that his "Smith" will be a combination of all that is great in dramatic art, and Mr. Hassler will doubtless play in a style to make the hair of the oldest playgoer stand on end. The programme on this most interesting occasion will consist of the comedy of The Stoops to Conquer, a grand concert by Beck's Band, No. 1, and the farce of My Neighbor's Wife. To-morrow evening Mr. Thomas J. Hemphill, the popular manager of the Walnut, will have a benefit, when a fine bill will be presented.

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